GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

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CHARTER OF DEMANDS BY TRADERS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any memorandum or charter of demands has been submitted to the National Bank. for Agriculture and Rural Development by the traders who deal in Narma or Narma products in Tonk district df Rajasthan;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any scheme have been formulated by the bank for solving the problem encouraging development and marketing of this industry; and

(d) if so, the details thereofalongwith the action being taken in this direction?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE :MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI GINGEE N. RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) & (b): National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD) has reported that it does not have any information about Namla or Narma products nor any agency with that name has been funded or assisted by it. However, NABARD has provided assistance for Namda and Namda products, which is a coarse wooden floor cover. NABARD has, further reported that it has not - received any memorandum or charterof demands from traders who deal in Namda and Namda products of Tonk district of Rajasthan.`

(c) & (d): NABARD has conducted a product development workshop in Namda and Namda products through Rajasthan Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Jaipur in which officials from District Industries Centre, District Rural Industries Project (DRIP), artisans from the cluster, bank officials, experts from the trade, master craftsmen, etc. participated. Options for the development of the activity, product improvement and diversification were discussed. Based on the outcome of the discussions, NABARD has sanctioned a Rural Enterpreneurship Development Programme (REDP) to Rajasthan State Productivity Council, Jaipur with grant assistance of Rs.50,OOO as an incentive. The programme is expected to commence from June 2002.